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1. 25X1 about 200 T-34 tanks were parked in a woods west of Helna at the troop training grounds of Kindel near Eisenach (L 51/H 76). There were about 90 rocket launchers, and an undetermined number of 122-mm and 152-mm artillery pieces and 45-mm AT guns on wood roads along the road to Eisenach. A Soviet officer stated that 40,000 to 50,000 soldiers were quartered in this maneuver area. 25X1C

A column of 10 T-34 tanks and truck 25X1C were observed.

2. Artillery pieces of 122-mm were seen emplaced on either side of the Gotha-Georgenthal-Tambach road, in the vicinity of the locality of Schwabhausen. The barrels of the guns were pointing toward Eisenach. Prior to the beginning of the firing practice, a captive balloon manned by two soldiers was raised. 25X1C

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3. A permanent telephone line ran from Ohrdruf to the Boxberg near Gotha via Emleben. 25X1C believed that a headquarters was located on Boxberg. Sedan 25X1C occupied by an officer, was identified on Boxberg. \*

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